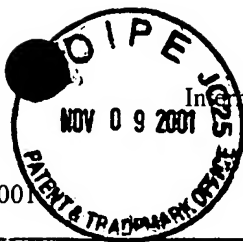


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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 USC 371**

International Application No.: PCT/AU00/00454
International Filing Date: May 12, 2000
Priority Date Claimed: May 12, 1999
Title of Invention: A MESSAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM
Applicants for DO/EO/US: Sydney Gordon Low and William Dennis Lang

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- (X) This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371.
- (X) This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 USC 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
- (X) A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
- (X) A copy of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2))
 - a) ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b) ☒ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c) ☒ a copy of Form PCT/1B/308 is enclosed.
 - d) ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
- (X) Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3))
 - e) ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - f) ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - g) ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - h) ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
- (X) A **FIRST** preliminary amendment (with abstract on a separate page).
- (X) International Application as published (with International Search Report).
- (X) Two (2) sheets of drawings.
- (X) A return prepaid postcard.
- (X) The following fees are submitted:

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BASIC FEE				\$890
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	
Total Claims	18 - 20 =	0 ×	\$18	\$0
Independent Claims	4 - 3 =	1 ×	\$84	\$84
Multiple dependent claims(s) (if applicable)			\$280	\$0
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS				\$974
Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity (if applicable).			\$0	
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE				\$974
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED				\$974

- (X) The fee for later submission of the signed oath or declaration set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(e) will be paid upon submission of the declaration.
- (X) A check in the amount of \$974 to cover the above fees is enclosed.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge only those additional fees which may be required, now or in the future, to avoid abandonment of the application, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:

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